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Applicant : Pomarede et al.  
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For : INTEGRATION OF HIGH K  
GATE DIELECTRIC  
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AMENDMENT

United States Patent and Trademark Office  
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants have received the Office Action mailed February 14, 2003. Claims 1-39 are pending in this application. Since this response is being transmitted to the Office on April 8, 2003, this response is timely filed.

Applicants understand that the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) have been **waived** for amendments to the claims, specification and drawings, and that all applicants may now submit amendments using a Revised Format. See Pre-OG Notice entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted," signed January 31, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is submitted in the Revised Format, as set forth in the aforementioned Pre-OG Notice.

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